

Amendments to and Listing of the Claims:

Please cancel claims 4 and 7 and amend claims 1, 2, and 6 so that the claims read as follows:

1. (currently amended) A lubricating oil composition for an internal combustion engine which comprises a mineral and/or synthetic base oil, (A) a succinimide-based ashless dispersant in an amount of 0.08 to 0.40 percent by mass in terms of nitrogen, (B) a metallic detergent in an amount of 0.06 to 0.22 percent by mass in terms of metal element, (C) a zinc secondary alkyldithiophosphate in an amount of 0.04 to 0.08 percent by mass in terms of phosphorus, and (D) a phosphorus-containing ashless anti-wear agent selected from the group consisting of amine salts of phosphoric acid esters and amine salts of phosphorus acid esters in an amount of 0.01 to 0.04 percent by mass in terms of phosphorus and contains sulfated ashes derived from the metal elements in the composition in an amount of 0.3 to 0.6 ~~[[1.0]]~~ percent by mass.

2. (currently amended) A ~~[[The]]~~ lubricating oil composition for an internal combustion engine according to claim 1 which comprises a mineral and/or synthetic base oil, (A) a succinimide-based ashless dispersant in an amount of 0.08 to 0.40 percent by mass in terms of nitrogen, (B) a metallic detergent in an amount of 0.06 to 0.22 percent by mass in terms of metal element, (C) a zinc secondary alkyldithiophosphate in an amount of 0.02 to 0.08 percent by mass in terms of phosphorus, (D) a phosphorus-containing ashless anti-wear agent selected from the group consisting of amine salts of phosphoric acid esters and amine salts of phosphorus acid esters in an amount of 0.01 to 0.04 percent by mass in terms of phosphorus, and (E) a fatty acid amide in an amount of 0.01 to 2.0 percent by mass and contains sulfated ashes derived from the metal elements in the composition in an amount of 0.3 to 0.6 ~~[[1.0]]~~ percent by mass.

3. (Previously Presented) The lubricating oil composition according claim 1 wherein Component (B) is an alkaline earth metal salicylate.

4. (canceled)

5. (Previously Presented) The lubricating oil composition according to claim 1 which is used in diesel engines equipped with an exhaust-gas after-treatment device.

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6. (currently amended) The lubricating oil composition according to claim 2 wherein Component (B) is an alkaline earth metal salicylate.

7. (canceled)

8. (Previously Presented) The lubricating oil composition according to claim 2 which is used in diesel engines equipped with an exhaust-gas after-treatment device.